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Lucinda Eagle
Federal Transit Administration, Region IX
201 Mission Street, Suite 1650
San Francisco, CA 94105

Subject: Final Environmental Impact Statement for the AC Transit East Bay Bus Rapid Transit Project (CEQ #20120024)

Dear Ms Eagle:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the above-referenced document pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations (40 CFR Parts 1500-1508) and Section 309 of the Clean Air Act.

EPA provided comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for this project in a July 3, 2007 letter. We rated the DEIS as LO, *Lack of Objections*, and asked that additional information on air quality and noise and vibration be included in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). The information we requested has been provided. We again commend the Federal Transit Administration and the Alameda Contra Costa Transit District for seeking to reduce vehicle miles traveled, reduce vehicle emissions, and provide public transportation options to residents of the Bay Area.

We appreciate the opportunity to review this FEIS. When the Record of Decision is signed, please send one copy to the address above (mail code: CED-2). If you have any questions, please contact Carolyn Mulvihill (415-947-3554 or mulvihill.carolyn@epa.gov) of my staff.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Connell Dunning", is positioned above the typed name.

Connell Dunning, Transportation Team Supervisor
Environmental Review Office
Communities and Ecosystems Division

cc: Jim Cunradi, AC Transit District